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STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1-85

EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Montana enacted its Workers' Compensation Act nearly seventy years ago; and

WHEREAS, the most recent comprehensive study of the workers' compensation system was completed ten years ago; and

WHEREAS, considerable change has taken place since that study because of new legislation, court interpretations, and new perceptions of work-related disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the extent of change indicates the need for a new comprehensive evaluation of the system.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TED SCHWINDEN, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Montana, specifically section 2-15-122, MCA, do hereby create the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council.

I. PURPOSE

The Workers' Compensation Advisory Council shall advise the Governor on the delivery of benefits and services and other matters provided for in the Workers' Compensation and Occupational Disease Acts, Title 39, Chapters 71 and 72.

Specifically, the Council shall:

- evaluate all matters affecting the costs, benefits, and functions of the workers' compensation system in Montana with respect to effective insurance for injured workers;
- 2) solicit, receive, and consider evidence, suggestions and recommendations from all parties who might be expected to have an interest in the council's findings and recommendations;
- 3) -report its findings along with recommended legislation, rules and procedures to the Governor by no later than July 1, 1986.

II. COMPOSITION

The Council shall consist of eighteen (18) members who will serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Membership shall represent the interests of organized labor, Workers' Compensation Court, State Compensation Insurance Fund, medical community, insurance industry, self-insured employers, private employers, legal profession, and rehabilitation providers.

The names and addresses of the members are:

COUNCIL MEMBER REPRESENTING EMPLOYERS

Chase T. Hibbard 613 Power Helena, MT 59601

Clyde B. Smith 148 Three Mile Drive Kalispell, MT 59901

Donald E. Jenkins 200 North Brooke Whitehall, MT 59759

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPRESENTING LABOR UNIONS

Jerry L. Driscoll 4344 Stone Billings, MT 59102

James A. Adams 604 North Warren Helena, MT 59601

Earl E. Brandt 1912 First Avenue S.W. Great Falls, MT 59404

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COUNCIL MEMBER AND CHAIRMAN

James F. Canan 1810 Iris Lane Billings, MT 59102

III. COMPENSATION and MEETINGS

Council members shall be compensated by the Division of Workers'

Compensation of the Department of Labor and Industry, pursuant to section
2-15-122(5), MCA.

Meetings will convene on the call of the chairman or a majority of the membership. All meetings will take place in Helena unless expressly authorized otherwise by the Governor. Nine (9) members present at a meeting of the Council constitutes a quorum to do business. The Council may meet as necessary and may hold public hearings, solicit testimony, and

conduct research to complete its purpose. A member who is unable to attend a meeting may send a substitute to observe, but said substitute shall not have the right to vote at the meeting.

IV. DURATION

The council shall exist from the effective date of this Order until December 31, 1986.

This order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this _____ day of January, in the year of our LORD, one thousand, nine hundred and eighty-five.

TED SCHWINDEN, Governor

ATTEST:

MM WALTERMIRE, Secretary of State

STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AMENDMENT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1-85



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This order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this day of May, in the year of our LORD, one thousand, nine hundred and eighty-five.

TED SCHWINDEN, Governor

ATTEST:

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WALFERMIRE, Secretary of State

f. Recommend ways to encourage public and private cooperation in understanding and meeting health care needs for Montanans.

II. COMPOSITION

The Council shall consist of twenty-one (21) members who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Chairperson of the Council shall be Kenneth Hickel. The names and addresses of the members are:

Mr. Kenneth Hickel P.O. Box 1791 Billings, Montana 59103

Mr. Larry Geske P.O. Box 2229 Great Falls, Montana 59403

Mr. Alan Cain Montana Physicians Service Box 4309 Helena, Montana 59604

Mr. Bruce Madsen P.O. Box 5015 Great Falls, Montana 59403

Mr. William (Bill) Murray St. Vincent's Hospital P.O. Box 35200 Billings, Montana 59107-5200

Mr. Dennis Taylor State Personnel Division Room 130, Mitchell Bldg. Helena, Montana 59620

Mr. Jacob (Jake) Block School District Office #1 215 S. 6th West Missoula, Montana 59801

Mr. J. Robert Slettan P.O. Box 2467 Great Falls, Montana 59403

Senator Pat Regan 204 Mountain View Billings, Montana 59101

Representative Clyde Smith 148 Three-Mile Drive Kalispell, Montana 59901

Representative Jerry Driscoll 4344 Stone Street Billings, Montana 59101 Mr. Terry Screnar P.O. Box 5004 Great Falls, Montana 59403

Mr. Fred Flanders 615 Henderson Helena, Montana 59601

Mr. R.H. (Ty) Robinson 545 E. Central Missoula, Montana 59801

Ms. Janice Connors Montana Foundation for Medical Care 21 N. Main, Suite 200 Helena, Montana 59601

John R. Burgess, M.D. Mountain Bell 560 N. Park Helena, Montana 59601

Ms. Carlene Crall Personnel-City of Billings P.O. Box 1178 Billings, Montana 59103

Mr. John H. Noble, Jr. University System 33 S. Last Chance Gulch Helena, Montana 59620

Mr. Charles J. Gilder Montana Power Company 40 E. Broadway Butte, Montana 59701

Senator Matt Himsl 305 4th Avenue E. Kalispell, Montana 59901

J. Thomas Ryan 1057 Phillips Road Helena, Montana 59601

III. COMPENSATION

Council members shall be compensated by Office of the Governor pursuant to section 2-15-122, MCA.

IV. DURATION

This Council shall exist for a period of two years from the effective date of this Order unless extended by Executive Order. This Order is effective immediately.

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